

# LATIMER GUILTY; TO ASK FOR NEW TRIAL

## ACCUSED IS CRUSHED BY VERDICT OF SECOND DEGREE MURDER GIVEN

### THIRD PARTYITES TO MEET IN CHICAGO

**Jury Deliberates Three Hours—Carries Life Imprisonment Penalty—Counsel to File Motion For New Trial**

A jury of five women and seven men in the trial of C. W. "Tacks" Latimer in Common Pleas Court here, prayed its way to a verdict of guilty of second degree murder on the seventh ballot Wednesday afternoon.

The verdict carries with it a penalty of life imprisonment in the Ohio penitentiary subject to parole and pardon. Admittedly disappointed by the verdict, counsel for the defense indicated Thursday that a motion for a new trial will be filed Friday.

If the motion is denied, the court will pass sentence immediately. In that case defense attorneys may carry the motion for a new trial to the court of appeals at its regular sittings here, but has not decided definitely what move will be taken in case the motion is denied. In case the motion is appealed, it will be taken before the appellate court at the regular sitting here and no stay of execution pending the outcome, will be sought.

Latimer, hopeful for acquittal and believing the verdict would not be more serious than manslaughter, was crushed after the jury reported at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. He heard the verdict in the court room with his seven-year-old son, Dawson, sitting on his lap. He sat as if stunned for a moment and then, lifting the boy off his lap, prepared to return to the County Jail.

Members of his family, especially his wife and aged mother, were also broken-hearted when Frank McClellan, Sugarcreek Twp. farmer, foreman of the jury, read the verdict. His mother believed that the verdict was first degree murder, and it took some time to convince her it was not that serious. Latimer, however soon regained the cheery disposition he exhibited throughout. "The Lord is with me," he said, "and everything will come out all right." He reiterated his claim that he shot in self defense.

L. T. Marshall, counsel for the defendant, said he was disappointed at the verdict. F. L. Johnson, also attorney for the defendant, was also disappointed. "This verdict is all a mistake," he said. "I am sure the jury did not fairly consider the evidence as presented in the trial." Both attorneys and the family held a conference with the convicted man at the jail Wednesday night, at which time it was agreed to file the motion for a new trial Friday. If it is denied, Latimer will probably be taken to the penitentiary to begin his term while attorneys continue the battle to obtain for him another trial.

The jury which decided the case, deliberated three hours. Seven ballots were taken before all twelve concurred on the second degree verdict. On the first ballot, the jury voted on first degree murder. Four jurors voted in favor of that verdict, while the eight other votes were divided. On the second ballot, taken on the verdict of second degree murder, nine voted favorably, while one voted for manslaughter, one for acquittal and one for first degree murder.

One juror voted for acquittal and one for first degree murder throughout. After six ballots had been taken without a change in the standing, the jury gathered together, anxious to return a verdict, and prayed for guidance. On the next ballot, all concurred on second degree murder.

The crowd that had packed its way into the court room throughout the trial, listened to the verdict silently, and passed out of the room orderly after hearing the decision. The case attracted wide-spread interest and drew crowds daily that taxed the capacity of the court room.

Latimer shot and instantly killed Charles E. Mackrodt, ex-lieutenant of Pennsylvania Railroad police, at Main and Detroit Streets on the morning of November 26. The shooting followed an argument which culminated had feeling between the men for several months.

After the shooting Latimer surrendered to Sheriff Morris Sharp and Deputy John Baughn. His statement was taken the same day and former prosecuting Attorney J. Kenneth Williamson obtained a first degree murder indictment against him at a special grand jury session.

The prosecutor later resigned rather than try the case on the date set, December 26, and Judge R. L. Gowdy named Harry C. Armstrong and E. Dawson Smith special counsel. The jury was selected December 26 and the hearing of evidence began Monday morning.

Latimer's plea was self defense, and he introduced witnesses to show Mackrodt not only threatened his life, but on one occasion attempted to kill him. Both sides had rested on direct and cross examination and rebuttal evidence Tuesday afternoon and counsel argued the case Wednesday morning after the court had given the jury a special charge.

The regular charge came as soon as court resumed in the afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, and was concluded in twenty-five minutes, the jury getting the case at 1:55 o'clock.

The jury which brought in the verdict was composed as follows: Frank McClellan, Sugarcreek Twp. foreman; Hazel Flagg, Xenia; C. Ray Reed, Ross Twp.; May Harper, Jamestown; George Warner, Bath Twp.; Margaret Lindsay, Xenia; Mary E. Ray, Xenia Twp.; Joseph Shade, Bath Twp.; C. W. Squires, Sugarcreek Twp.; H. E. Thomas, Cassarock Twp.; Jessilla Luckey, Xenia and Earl McClellan, Beaver Creek Twp.

Latimer, a native of Loveland, has lived in Xenia ten years, during most of which time he has been employed as a Pennsylvania Railroad policeman. He had an interesting big-league baseball career before coming here.

After serving an apprenticeship with bush league clubs, he played with Louisville in the old National league when that circuit had twelve clubs. When the league was cut to eight clubs and Louisville was dropped, the entire Louisville team was purchased by Barney Dreyfuss of the Pittsburgh Nationals for \$25,000, Latimer going with the team.

As a big league catcher, he has handled the slants of Amos Rusie and Rube Waddell, famous pitchers, and later, as a scout, discovered several diamond stars. He began his railroad job under Mackrodt and worked under him until the latter was demoted from lieutenant to patrolman several months ago and resigned rather than accept the demotion.

#### EXTRA TELLS STORY

The story of the verdict of the jury in the C. W. Latimer case, was first given in Xenia in an extra issue of the Evening Gazette.

The verdict was pronounced at 5 o'clock, after all regular editions of the paper had been issued, and after most of the employees had left the plant for the day.

On short notice a complete story of the verdict and the way the jury voted, was published in the streets about 6 o'clock. Newsboys sold the extra in the downtown section, giving Xenians their first newspaper account of the conclusion of the trial that created so much interest here.



## BETTER BUSINESS IS PREDICTION OF LOAN MEN FOR COMING NEW YEAR

Columbus, Jan. 1.—"Better business conditions for 1925," is the unanimous prediction of Ohio's building and loan men today, declared James A. Devine, secretary of the Ohio Building association league.

Secretary Devine said that, in connection with a survey of business conditions among building and loan associations of the Buckeye state, over 10,000 Ohio business men, directors of approximately 1,000 building and loan associations, expressed expectation of a prosperous year.

"Building and loan assets in every county of the state show a marked increase since September 1, last," said Devine. "These deposits represent the savings of working people and constitute a good barometer of business conditions. Ohio's building program, including home and business construction, will be continued in a scale as large, if not greater, than during 1924. Demands for loans already point to unusual building activity during the spring months, building and loan men declare.

"Building and loan assets during the past year increased \$120,000,000—the greatest gain in the history of these institutions. Approximately 2,000,000 Ohioans are patrons of building and loan associations—striking proof of the increasing number of thrifty savers.

Nearly 50,000,000 were paid during 1924 as interest and dividends by building and loan associations in Ohio. Owing to the increase in assets last year an even greater sum will be paid back to the building and loan depositors on their savings this year.

More than 40,000 new homes were financed in Ohio, during the past year by building and loan associations. Building operations in the state during the past 12 months afforded employment, directly or indirectly, to over 200,000 workers, making the building industry an important factor in bolstering employment conditions. Although 100,000 new homes have been erected in Ohio since the world war the survey shows that, at least 70,000 homes can be built this year without creating a surplus in the real estate markets.

"Farmers are reported in better shape financially than they were a year ago. Farm owners not only have been able to meet the interest on their loans, but, in a great percentage of cases, have been able to reduce the principal.

"Despite the great increase in Ohio building and loan assets, these institutions face the coming building season with insufficient funds with which to meet the loan demands already on

## Conference Will Determine Future of Third Party In American Politics—Meeting Will Be February 21.

Washington, January 1.—The formal call for the annual convention of the conference for Progressive Political Action, in Chicago, February 21, was issued by William H. Johnston, chairman.

The meeting was called for the express purpose of determining whether a new third party is to be created in the United States.

All organizations which supported the LaFollette-Wheeler campaign were invited by Johnston to send delegates to the meeting. Included in

the list were the railroad brotherhood and the American Federation of Labor though both organizations already have announced they would have nothing whatever to do with the launching of a new political movement.

Farm groups were also invited, although they too, have indicated they did not favor a third party at this time.

The call was issued at the direction of the conference's executive committee, which last month overrode the objection of labor representatives and voted to go ahead with the convention.

Thus far only one national organization, the Socialist party, has notified Johnston that it will send delegates.

The call is addressed to the national and international organizations of labor, farmers, co-operative societies and progressive political parties. All of these were represented at the convention in Cleveland last June, which endorsed the independent presidential candidacy of Senator Robert M. LaFollette.

Prominent among the organizations invited were:

The American Federation of Labor, railroad brotherhoods, state legislative boards, districts of the United Mine Workers, state allied printing trade councils, joint boards of adjustment in needle trades, general city central labor unions building trade councils, organizations of farmers, local cooperative societies, the Socialist party and state committees of the LaFollette-Wheeler campaign.

## SENATE POLLS ON POSTAL BILL VETO PROVE CONFLICTING

Washington, Jan. 1.—Two rival polls of the senate on President Coolidge's veto of the postal wage increase bill were made public today.

The senate is scheduled to vote on the veto on Tuesday.

Senator Sterling, Republican of South Dakota, a consistent administration supporter, announced that his poll indicated the veto would be sustained by a margin of at least two votes.

Representatives of postal employees on the other hand, disputed Sterling's figures and said their count of senatorial noses showed five votes more than necessary to defeat President Coolidge and administration forces.

"We have enough votes pledged to sustain the veto," was Sterling's laconic statement. "The worry is all over. We have just completed a thorough canvass of the senate and have secured pledges of sufficient votes to override the veto," declared Thomas F. Flaherty, secretary-treasurer of the National Federation of Postoffice Clerks.

Meanwhile, the senate postal committee, done with open hearings on the Sterling bill, pressed forward today with its report on the measure. Senators Moses, Republican, of New Hampshire, chairman, said he hoped to be able to present the report to the upper chamber before the veto vote Tuesday.



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## Business Men Optimistic

An era of prosperity of unusual character will reign in Greene County and Ohio, during this calendar year, if the predictions of a number of Xenia's leading business men materialize.

In their forecasts, the business men assert, there should be few if any idle persons in the country next year and virtually all industries will resume operations early in the year, returning to normalcy.

A number of definite conditions contribute to this expected development, chief among them being a greater demand for skilled and unskilled labor. It must be admitted, say business men, a certain period of financial depression existed in 1924 and that business was somewhat slow during the earlier part of the year.

This is a condition that usually exists before a presidential election, they say, and the majority will admit the country has a wonderful administration at Washington since the election of Mr. Coolidge as chief executive of the nation.

The personal reflections of men of prominence in the city's industrial and civic affairs may be accepted as the best barometer available of the conditions in the future.

As president of the Citizens National Bank, R. S. Kingsbury, foresees a flat-

year in American prosperity. As the year 1924 comes to a close, he notices that American labor is drawing the highest rate of wages paid since the World war and as the uncertainties and doubts that have existed during the past twelve months have now passed away, I see no clouds on the horizon.

"There is a decided upward trend in practically all lines of industrial and commercial activity and we should look forward to the new year with greater optimism than we have for several years, as Xenia and Greene County, with its diversified industries, will fully share in the progress."

Judge H. L. Smith, president of the City Commission sums up the 1925 outlook in a few words:

"Aside from the greater demand for both skilled and unskilled labor, the opportunities for general labor as well, are equally as good and building construction should give employment to thousands. Farmers, recuperating from the 1925 crop failures will share in the general prosperity. General industrial conditions will also improve and with so many indications of returning prosperity, Xenians should look forward to 1925 with increased optimism."

Looking future for the country, Mr. Kingsbury's views follow:

"The new year should be a banner year for the country. The price of

## French Flier Sets New Speed Mark



M. Bonnet, noted French aviator, has been accredited with a world's speed record of 230 miles an hour, bettering the mark of 263 miles set by Lieutenant Williams, American speed king. His reward is a share in the prize of 200,000 francs awarded by the French air ministry for such a speed record.

## YOUNG WOMAN IS MURDERED BY FLYER AT PARTY

**Selfridge Fiedl Man Then Shoots Himself—No Motive**

St. Clemens, Mich., Jan. 1.—Mrs. Imogene Campbell Trombley, 17, was shot and killed by Staff Sergeant Joseph Ryan, of Selfridge Field, today after a New Year's party. Sergeant Ryan then turned his pistol on himself. He is in a dying condition. A second man, present when the shooting occurred, is sought. The motive for the shooting is unknown.

Mrs. Trombley was the wife of a soldier at Selfridge Field. The couple had not been living together.

## BOY ASPHYXIATED

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 1.—A thirteen year old boy was asphyxiated and his four sisters overcome at their home in Paxtang early today. The dead boy is Irving Hetrick.

The timely arrival of Mrs. Eliza Rühle, the housekeeper, who returned from a New Year's party at four o'clock this morning, probably saved the lives of the four sisters and the father.

## NOTE FROM BRITAIN

London, Jan. 1.—The British Foreign Office today sent a lengthy note to the United States setting forth the legal reasons why Great Britain believes the United States is not entitled to obtain reparations through the Dawes plan.

The note suggests that a solution of the problem may be found by extending the time for the army of occupation costs the United States for using part of annuity for paying claims.

## SCOTT DIVORCE HEARING STOPS OVER HOLIDAY

Alpena, Mich., Jan. 1.—The divorce trial between Representative Frank D. Scott and his wife is suspended today until Friday morning following testimony by the Congressman that Harry Wyckoff, cashier in their Washington hotel, was accustomed to wake Mrs. Scott with a kiss when he stole into her apartment, purposely left unlocked at late hours of the night. Wyckoff and Mrs. Scott used a love code and the cashier helped his wife select her gowns, Scott said.

All these occurrences were related to him by his secretary, Jane Kennedy, who learned about them from Mrs. Scott's own lips, the Congressman swore.

According to Scott, Miss Kennedy told him Mrs. Scott called the cashier on the telephone and spoke to him about "bringing up some bills."

"That is just a code between myself and Harry so that people who might be listening in on the wire will not know what we really mean," Scott testified. Miss Kennedy quoted his wife as saying, "When I ask him to bring up bills, that means I am alone." Mrs. Scott told Miss Kennedy, the representative swore. Wyckoff failed to appear and Mrs. Scott called Miss Kennedy a "howler," Scott said.

Wyckoff was insanely jealous of her other admirers, including Captain Wilbur D. Sumner, Scott declared, and expostulated with her because other men came to see her alone and drink in her apartment.

"She (Mrs. Scott) often urged me to go over to Fort Myer with her and meet Captain Sumner for dinner," Miss Kennedy told him, Scott declared. "She said she wanted me to help to get from him some of the dainty French underwear he brought back from overseas to give the women whose hearts he captured here."

## SECRETARIES WILL PRESENT PROBLEMS FOR LEGISLATURE

Columbus, O., Jan. 1.—Consideration of problems which are expected to be acted upon by the Ohio legislature here this winter, will mark the midwinter conference of the Ohio Retail Secretaries Association at the Southern Hotel next Tuesday. It was announced today.

Speakers included Malcom Jennings, Ohio Manufacturers association, and George V. Sheridan, executive director, Ohio Council of Retail Merchants both of whom will discuss legislative matters; J. H. Combs, Toledo, who will talk on "organization of local retail trade groups"; Prof. H. F. Walradt, Ohio State University, "taxation measures;" Jack Moore, Akron, secretary Ohio Retail Jewelers association; proposed legislation regulating jewelry auctions; Trent D. Sickles, Columbus, "business publicity, from a retail viewpoint."

William N. Tatt, Philadelphia, editor of the Retail Ledger, will be the principal speaker at a dinner at the Southern Hotel Tuesday evening.

A joint meeting will be held Wednesday at Ohio State University with the Ohio Commercial organization secretaries and a joint banquet that night.

Wednesday afternoon both organizations will attend a conference of Ohio mayors at the Hotel Desher to consider legislative proposals designed to aid municipalities along financial lines.

## AUTOIST KILLED AS MACHINE HITS POLE

York, Pa., Jan. 1.—Marion Frey, 20, of Red Lion, was instantly killed and Ernest Zeich, 18, of York, was seriously injured, when the car in which they were returning from a New Year's celebration early today struck a telephone pole near Stewartstown. Zeich, badly battered, nevertheless, walked two miles to report the accident to state police. The latter are holding him pending a probe of the fatal crash. He claims he swerved his machine to avoid a collision with an approaching car.

## HOTELS BURN

Mount Clemens, Mich., Jan. 1.—The Fountain House and White Star Hotels were damaged to the extent of \$65,000 last night by fire starting in the Fountain House.

## MARRIES ON HOLIDAY

London, Jan. 1.—Peggy Marsh, of Cleveland, O., celebrated the New Year here by getting married. Her husband is Captain Keld Fenwick.

## FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS OF EAST AND WEST MEET IN CALIFORNIA'S ROSE DAY CLASSIC

Pasadena, California, Jan. 1.—Championing at the bit, the champion football teams of the east and west—Notre Dame and Stanford—today were impatiently awaiting the crack of the starter's pistol in the annual gridiron classic at the Rose bowl.

It was a perfect day for football or any other sport from the spectators viewpoint at least. Sunny skies, unclouded by clouds and a brisk breeze from the nearby foothills, made one of those days that delight the heart of the eastern football fan early in the season.

Early today an immense crowd started filling the bowl. Long before the Rose Tournament pageant in the business district was over, the huge stadium was packed almost to capacity, presenting a scintillating scene of color and life as the spectators stirred in their seats and the breeze rippled Stanford and Notre Dame pennants.

Rockne asserted today that his players were in great shape considering their long hop across the country, and were ready and fit both mentally and physically for their big argument against the Cardinals.

Adam Walsh, center of the eastern team is the only player on the hospital list.

The "four horsemen" Stuhldreher, Layden, Crowley and Miller, will not start the game against Stanford, according to Rockne. Instead the "shock troops"—the third Notre Dame back-

field, will be used in the initial period, which means that the stars will not be seen in action until the second quarter.

Indications were that Neviers would be unable to last through the game. The fullback is still in bad shape as a result of injuries sustained in practice two weeks ago.

Lawson will probably be in from start to finish, despite reports that he has not yet recovered from a badly sprained leg.

A week ago the South Bend aggregation was a two to one shot and Stanford was spotted 14 points.

However there was a possibility early this week of the game being played on wet grounds and the probability of Notre Dame being hard hit by the change in climate, the odds were revised.

It was freely admitted that rains or a moist field would hamper the Indians who depend on their passing attack and speedy cut-ins to baffle their opponent.

A wet field would not hurt Stanford to such a great extent. Hot weather also would favor them. As far as records and past performances are concerned, the Irish have the edge.

The Irish were unbeaten and untied this season.

Stanford went through the season without a defeat, but California's gold-on bears tied the Cardinals in a game for the coast championship 20-20.

# POSTMASTER RICE PRESENTED GIFTS ON LEAVING OFFICE

Retiring Postmaster H. E. Rice was presented with a "Heil and Maria, upside-down" pipe and a large tin of his favorite tobacco by rural mail carriers and a black traveling bag by mail clerks Wednesday as a token of their appreciation and loyalty during his two terms as postmaster.

A presentation speech by Harry Weber accompanied the rural carrier's gift and Assistant Postmaster W. E. Wike made a short speech in presenting the clerks' token.

Mr. Rice retired from direct and indirect connection with the office Wednesday afternoon after holding over several weeks to assist the new postmaster, C. S. Frazer, in acquainting himself with his new duties.

A bulletin posted in the offices in acceptance of the gifts and in expression of his faith in the loyalty shown him during his two terms following:

"On the eve of my retirement from direct and indirect connection with the Xenia post office I feel I would be recreant to duty if I failed to express my appreciation of the strong support and unfailing loyalty shown to me during my two terms following:

"My contact with the personnel of the office leads me to the conviction that in character, courtesy and willingness to serve faithfully and efficiently, the Xenia post office has no superior anywhere.

"Through my administration there has been practically no friction along the line anywhere and but little that was disagreeable and unpleasant.

"I take this occasion to express my thanks to everybody in the office for devotion to duty.

"I find on going out of public office that commendation comes from every source and over from unexpected points to the effect that the service rendered has in every way been satisfactory to the public. These bouquets I pass on to you; for it has been your aid and co-operation after all that has counted most.

"I want to express my gratitude to the old veteran, Walter E. Wike,

Assistant Postmaster for his many helpful suggestions, the adoption of which have materially improved the service given, and for his unflinching industry and unflagging interest in maintaining a superior service.

"I hope and trust you will give my successor, Clarence S. Frazer, a full measure of your support and co-operation.

"With best wishes and hope for a continuation of the same fine efficiency in every department of the office I remain,

"Most sincerely yours,

Harry E. Rice.

"I find much satisfaction in the knowledge that I have always given all of you a square deal."

## NEW JASPER

Mr. Herbert Williams has moved to the Mose Sutton farm.

Mr. Charles N. Fudge has installed a radio in his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Camden of Chicago and Mr. Harold Camden of Dayton spent the holidays with Mr. George Camden and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Miller and family were the guests of Mr. E. R. Stricklen of Xenia.

Mr. Joseph Wood has been confined

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to his home for the past week with a severe case of grip.

The schools will resume sessions next Monday, January 5.

Mrs. Amanda Boots, 80, is in a critical condition.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Huston entertained a number of relatives Sunday, at dinner. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Huston, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Huston and son, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Huston of Xenia, Mr. and Mrs. Normand Leach and son of Jamestown, Mr. J. C. Layman, Mr. Milton Layman, Mr. Ralph Layman of Dayton.

Miss Lelia Fudge who has been spending the holidays with her parents, will leave Monday morning for Delaware to take up her studies at the Ohio Wesleyan University.

Mr. Walter Carter and sister, Miss Dorothy, were Sunday visitors in Dayton.

## POLICE COURT

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to charges of drunk and were fined \$25 and costs each by Judge E. D. Smith. Johnson paid his fine while Downard was taken to the Dayton Workhouse. The pair was arrested Tuesday noon by Patrolmen Fred Jones and Peter Shagin.

### Cardinal Giorgi Dies.

Rome, Dec. 31.—Cardinal Oreste Giorgi, 69, died of pneumonia at his residence in the Palazzo Altieri here. He was born in Velmoptone, Italy, and was created a cardinal Dec. 4, 1916. He held the office of grand plenipotentiary of the Holy Roman church.

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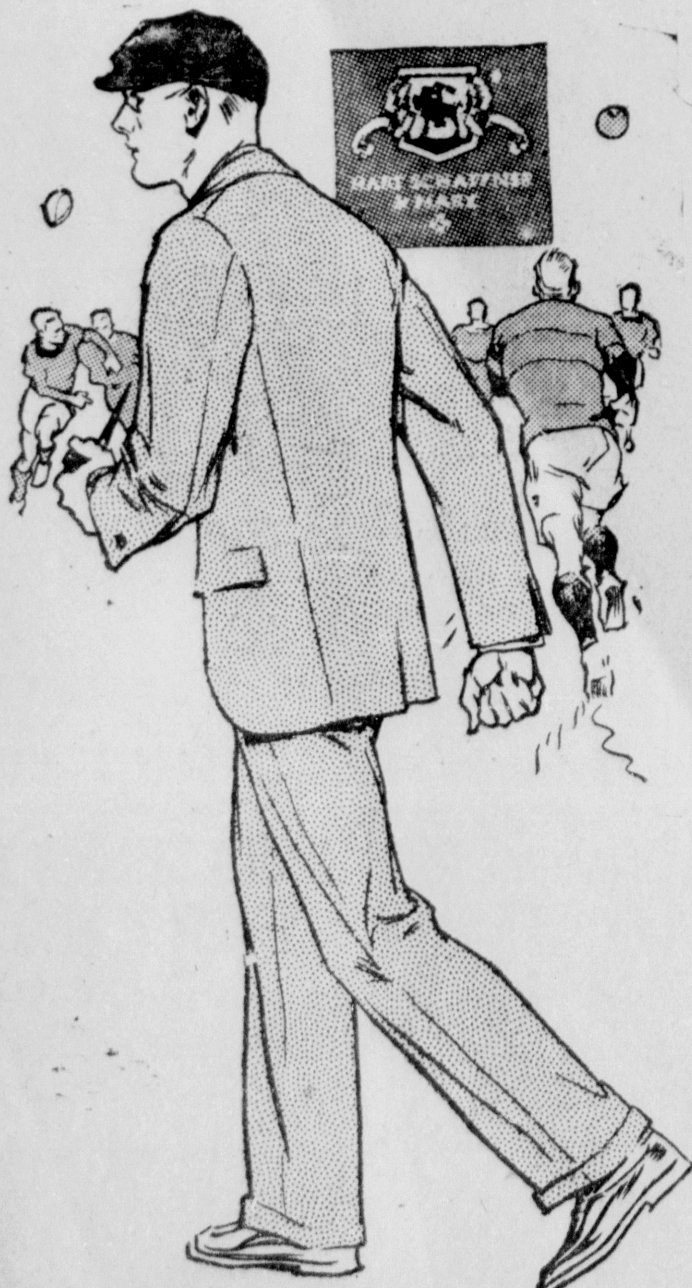
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## Calender Of Society For '24 Reviewed

By ALICE FOLEY

A review of the successes and accomplishments of the year 1924, can be seen to hold much that was of interest to Greene County women, particularly in the intellectual and social field, although no outstanding event has marked the past twelve months.

Whether domiciled in the city, in the center of social and club life, or in the rural districts which are now more closely associated with city affairs, local women have shared in many interesting events the past year and can count the time as benefitting and wholesome.

Not characterized with the lavish display and effort that larger cities boast of in the social life, Xenia affairs take on a more informal tone and are equally enjoyed by the various groups.

With the exception of a constant series of informal social functions at home, city or country club, social gatherings center in club and organized groups. Outstanding among the social and literary organizations of the city are five societies, Catherine Greene Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Xenia Woman's Club, the Xenia Business and Professional Women's Club and Alpha Theta Chapter, Delta Theta Tau Sorority.

Catherine Greene Chapter has followed the annual custom of holding monthly meetings of literary uplift and progress along the lines of the organization's work. The local chapter is in close touch with the national organization, through Mrs. William M. Wilson, former regent of the chapter, being vice president general of the national body. One of the interesting speakers brought to the city by the D. A. R. society within the past few months, was Mrs. Ida Clyde Clarke, magazine writer and well public speaker.

The splendid work of the Xenia Woman's Music Club, which has been organized in Xenia for several years, has been augmented by the organization of the Xenia Choral Society, but the regular meetings and programs of the smaller club are continued with increased interest each year.

Various phases of music have been studied by the club the past year and, as in former years the club season will culminate in the annual cantata by the club members.

The literary field is delved into a little deeper by the members of the Junior Club and interesting treatises on various subjects of wide interest have been prepared by club members during the past twelve months.

Social association of women in the work-day world, combined with the splendid programs and dramatic presentations features the monthly meetings of the Business and Professional Women's Club. The club has been the sponsor of many interesting events on the calendar of the past year.

Sponsoring social affairs that are looked forward to by the younger social set and giving charitable aid during the year in accordance with the organization plan of the society, the Delta Theta Tau Sorority has experienced a year well spent.

Other organizations that have functioned during the past year with women as the helmsmen and which may review the past year with interest are the Greene County W. C. T. U., the American Legion Auxiliary, church missionary societies, lodge auxiliaries, Parent-Teacher Associations and smaller societies and clubs.

With the entrance of cold weather, a busy season at the Xenia Country Club was brought to a close but here social events during the spring, summer and fall days were in full swing. Dinner-dances were regular affairs at the club house and the golf links furnished the excuse for several informal gatherings at the club each day.

A glance through the records of the days of 1924 recalls many events confined to the field of women. The opening winter months of 1924 were featured with lectures, including that of Mrs. A. J. Barnett, vice president of the Southwest Parent-Teacher Association, November 11, who addressed the Central High P. T. A., and paid that organization the tribute of being

"the only successful High School P. T. A. in the state."

The attention of women in this district was attracted to Xenia, February 15 with the appearance of Judge Florence E. Allen, of the Ohio Supreme Court, at the First M. E. Church, under the auspices of the County W. C. T. U.

An event that was of interest to a large group of women was the convention of the Second District of the Pythian Sisters, here, January 30.

Scattered through the year's calendar were engagement announcements, dances, parties, and informal gatherings. Always considered foremost in interest in the social world, are weddings, and a number of interesting ceremonies have taken place since last January.

### STEWART-COLLINS WEDDING OF INTEREST IN COUNTY

Miss Vida Stewart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Stewart of Bowersville and Mr. O. E. Collins son of the Rev. H. O. Collins of Spring Valley were united in marriage, Thursday evening, at 6:30 o'clock, at the home of the bride.

The double ring ceremony was used by the bridegroom's father, in the presence of the immediate families and a few close friends. The bride wore a gown of lavender silk crepe, ornamented with crystal beads and she carried a bouquet of bride's roses.

The attendants were Miss Margaret Ross and Mr. Floyd Smith of Covington, O.

Immediately after the ceremony, the bride party was served dinner. The bride's parents, shared in the festivities which were held on the occasion of their thirty-fourth wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Collins graduated from the Jefferson Township Centralized High School in 1923. She was employed as bookkeeper in the Linton Hardware Company where she remained until a short time before her marriage.

Mr. Collins graduated from Central High School, Xenia, and also attended Cedarville College and was later a student at Ohio Northern University at Ada, O., where he studied law.

Mr. and Mrs. Collins will delay their honeymoon trip until Spring. They will make their home with the bridegroom's parents, until the remodeling of their home is completed, on the farm of the bridegroom's parents, where Mr. Collins will continue farming and registered stock raising.

### BRIDGE-LUNCHEON AT JOHNSTON HOME

Mrs. Charles A. Trimpe of Jeffersonville, O., was honor guest at a handsomely appointed bridge-luncheon given by the Misses Frances and Dorothy Johnston at their home on West Market Street, Wednesday afternoon.

The guests were from Jeffersonville, Sedalia, Springfield and London. The Xenia guests were Mrs. Homer C. Spahr, Mrs. Agnew DeHaven, Mrs. Lester McDorman and Mrs. V. L. Fairless.

Bridge and five hundred were enjoyed by the guests during the forepart of the afternoon. Dainty score prizes were awarded in the games and Mrs. Trimpe was given a guest gift. A luncheon course followed cards.

Roses and sweet peas in delicate shades were used about the rooms and New Year's tokens appointed the luncheon course and other decorations.

### FORMER XENIA GIRL MARRIED IN ST. LOUIS

Word has been received of the marriage of Miss Helen M. Johnson, formerly of this city, now of St. Louis, Mo., to the Rev. Lackland Beeding, also of St. Louis.

The wedding took place December 2 at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Jesse Johnson. The Rev. Dr. McClure, the bride's pastor, officiated and was assisted by Dr. Johnson.

The Rev. Mr. Beeding was graduated from the Xenia Theological Seminary in May of last year and has received a call in St. Louis. They are at home in that city at 316 Laurel Avenue, C-5.

### DANCE OLD YEAR OUT AT SCHOOL

Young people of the congregation of St. Bridget's Church danced the old year out, at the school auditorium, Wednesday night.

Dancing was enjoyed from 8:30 o'clock until after the midnight hour and the new year entered. Punch was served during the evening.

### WATCH PARTY GIVEN BY MISS FISHER

Miss Helen Fisher entertained a watch party at her home on Cincinnati Avenue, Wednesday night. Twenty-five guests enjoyed dancing until the old year waned, when a refreshment course was served.

Several college students were among the guests of the evening.

Miss Nelle Rinck, who recently underwent an operation at the McClellan Hospital, is convalescing nicely at the home of her brother-in-law and sister Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Shepherd in College Court, East Church Street.

Seventy-eight sacks of mail were handled by the Spring Valley Post-office, Monday, December 22, instead of seventy-eight articles, as previously announced, according to F. M. Hiatt, postmaster.

Mrs. R. W. Burnside, of Philadelphia, is spending the holidays in this city as the guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dean. Mr. Burnside is spending the holidays visiting with relatives in Garden City, Kansas.

Mrs. Anna Meiling, of Springfield, is the guest of Mrs. G. G. McClain, of West Main Street.

Mr. Howard Barnett, of Warren, County, has been visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Anna Barnett, of West Third Street.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bowker of Cleveland are moving from Cleveland to Cincinnati, where Mr. Bowker has been transferred by The Better Brush Company. Mrs. Bowker and daughter Barbara Ann have been spending the holidays with relatives in this city and will leave in a few days for their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Whittington, formerly of this city are moving March 1, from Louisville, Ky., to Indianapolis, Ind., following Mr. Whittington's promotion by The Proctor and Gamble Company.

Miss Irma Finley of Atlanta, Ga., is spending the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Finley, West Second Street. Mrs. Lawrence Landaker and two children of Indianapolis, Ind., and Mrs. Hubert Howard of Delaware, O., are also visiting at the Finley home.

Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Kester, of North King Street, spent New Year's Day in New Carlisle, with Dr. Kester's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. McDorman, North King Street, were the guests of relatives in Jamestown for New Year's Day.

## ORDINANCE NO. 272

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND PRESCRIBING SALARIES AND BONDS.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to preserve the peace and safety of the inhabitants, and to provide for the daily operation of the Police Department of this City, there exists an emergency which requires that this ordinance shall take effect as herein-after prescribed:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE City of Xenia, State of Ohio, four-fifths of all its members concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Police Department for the City of Xenia, Ohio, shall be composed of the following officers and members, who shall receive salaries and give bond as herein-after provided, said salaries shall be payable semi-monthly.

SECTION 2.—That the Manager of the City of Xenia, Ohio shall be the Chief of Police, who shall serve without additional salary.

SECTION 3. That there shall be five regular patrolmen, one of whom shall receive a salary of One Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$125) per month; and four of whom shall receive a salary of One Hundred Ten Dollars (\$110) each per month. There shall be one Deskman, who shall receive a salary of Ninety Dollars (\$90) per month.

SECTION 4. That said patrolmen and Deskmen shall give bond in the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000) each, which bonds shall be executed to the approval of the City Commission.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall not in any way interfere with the rights of the City Manager, at any time that emergency demands, to place special patrolmen to maintain order and keep the peace of said City, but such additional number shall only be called in case of an emergency, and shall serve at the pleasure of the Manager.

SECTION 6.—The City Manager shall, as occasion demands, either appoint or direct the placing of a motor patrolman to serve at the pleasure of the Manager. Such Motor Patrolman shall, during such service, receive compensation at the rate of not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150) per month, and shall give bond, if so required by the City Commission, in the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000).

SECTION 7. The City Manager may designate one patrolman to be in charge, and one other patrolman to assist said officer in charge. Said officers so designated by said Manager shall so serve at the pleasure of said Manager.

SECTION 8. That an ordinance heretofore passed on the 26th day of January, 1922, being ordinance No. 186 entitled "An ordinance providing for the organization of the Police Department and prescribing salaries and bonds," be and the same hereby is repealed.

SECTION 9. That this ordinance, on account of the emergency set forth in the preamble hereto, shall take effect and be in force from and after January 1, 1925.

Passed this 26th day of December, 1924.

Attest: T. H. ZELL,

Clerk City Commission.

H. L. SMITH,

President City Commission.

## CAFETERIA OF CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL HERE PRAISED BY WRITER IN RECENT ISSUE OF MAGAZINE DEVOTED TO SCHOOL AND COLLEGE CAFETERIA WRITTEN BY AUTHORITY

The model cafeteria at Central High School, this city, has commanded the attention of school and cafeteria authorities over the country, as an ideally managed eating place in a small city school.

The local cafeteria, under the management of Mrs. Pearl Wolf, is the subject of an article entitled "Economy in the Small Cafeteria" written by Morgan Rutherford, Jr., in the "School and College Cafeteria" Magazine.

Mr. Rutherford placed the secret of Mrs. Wolf's successful management of the cafeteria in her "ingenuity of designing and making cretonne covers for chairs which gave the cafeteria a better appearance, the making of the tables for the lunch room by the manual training department of the school and having the food prepared in the home economics department by the students."

Mr. Rutherford's article goes on to say: "There is a need for cafeteria service in the school serving around 100 and 150 students. But due to the small number of students who patronize the cafeteria, it is difficult to operate on an economical basis and still give the students the food and selection necessary."

"Mrs. Pearl Wolf, manager of the cafeteria in the Central High School at Xenia, Ohio, not only equipped the cafeteria at small cost but operates it on the same basis and boasts of an 'even break' at the end of her year and satisfied students."

"The cafeteria, in the first place, has been adjudged one of the finest in the smaller cities of Ohio. And this beauty is not a matter of ele-

### FORMER CLASSMATES ENTERTAINED WEDNESDAY

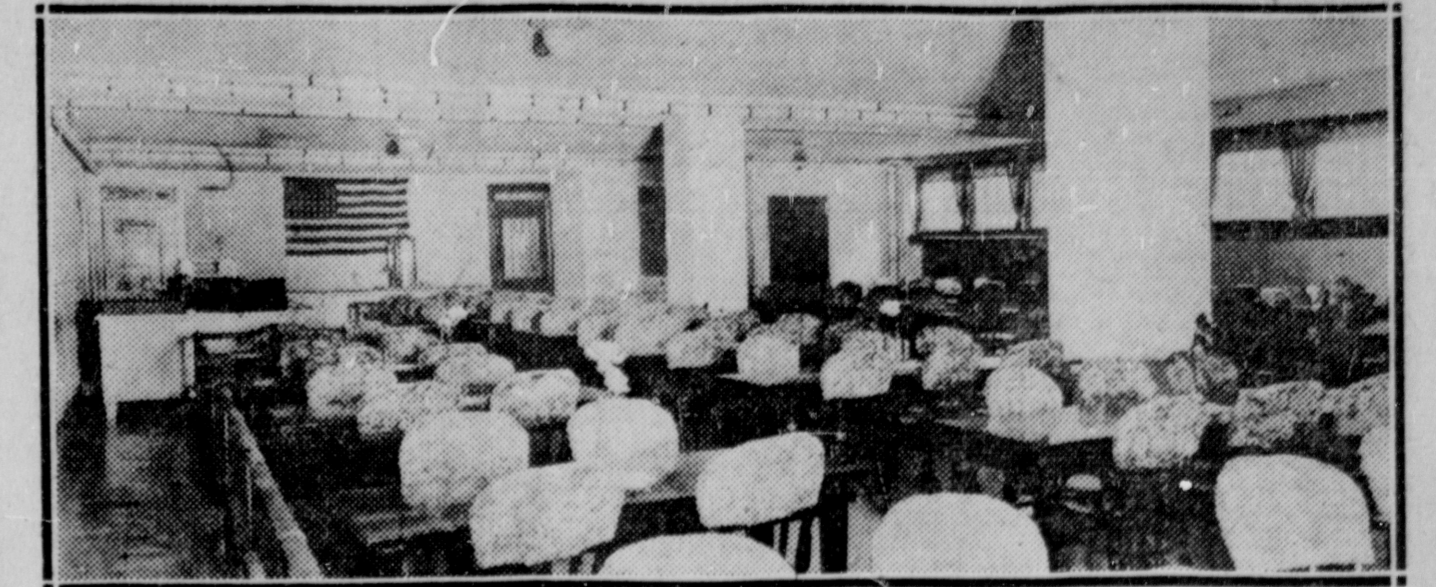
Mrs. John William Jobe entertained a number of her former classmates at a New Year's party at her home on South Galloway Street, Wednesday afternoon. Sixteen young women were Mrs. Jobe's guests.

The afternoon was spent informally and a luncheon course served. Mrs. Hubert Howard, of Delaware, Ohio, and Miss Gwendolyn Mills of Sheridan Wyo., were guests from out-of-town.

### DANCE AT WRIGHT FIELD WEDNESDAY

The new year was welcomed by officers at Wilbur Wright Field, Wednesday night, with a dance at the clubhouse, "Sideslip Inn," at which McCook field officers and their wives were guests.

Christmas greens decked the clubhouse, combined with poinsettias and holly. Music was furnished by the field orchestra.



INTERIOR VIEW OF CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

gance and luxury, but from simple, 'homey' effects which Mrs. Wolf herself has devised.

"The cafeteria is arranged and managed on the same plan as city cafeterias. Besides, being a well ordered and managed department of the regular school work, the cafeteria has a home-like appearance."

"In the home economics room where the school girls prepare the food for each day, are eight tables, where they work. Thirty two girls of the school prepare the food, with the exception of the meats which are cooked and prepared by Mrs. Wolf and her assistant, Mrs. Cora Maxey. The dishes are washed and dried by the girls."

"The cafeteria is entirely self-supporting. Through money obtained in a school 'drive' the pupils of the Opportunity School, nearby, were fed a full menu for fifteen cents at the cafeteria."

"The following is a specimen menu prepared by Mrs. Wolf: For roast beef, .09; brown potatoes and gravy,

.03; bread and butter, .04; sandwiches, .03; vegetable salad, .04; custard, .04; ice cream, .05 and cocoa, .04."

### ROSS TOWNSHIP

The annual Christmas dinner of the Turnbull relatives was held at the home of Mr. Sam Turnbull, Thursday. Those present were Mr. Robert Turnbull and family, Mr. Ora Turnbull and family, Mr. Joseph Turnbull of Jamestown, Mr. Bicket and family, Mr. Thomas Spencer, Miss Lily Spencer of Xenia and Mr. Wilbur Cooey and family of Cedarville.

Mrs. Howard Brakefield and children are spending the holidays with relatives in Springfield.

Mr. Otis Beekman and two children spent a few days with his mother Mrs. Massie Latham.

Mrs. Edwin Klontz is spending the week with her son and family Mr. Earl Klontz of Akron.

Mr. and Mrs. John McKinney and Mrs. Albert Jones and daughter spent

a couple of days last week with Mr. Millard McKinney and family of Dayton.

Mr. Addie Cummings has been confined to his home with lagrippe. There is no hope for the recovery of Mr. Allen Hutchison.

Mrs. J. H. Ritenour spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Patterson of Dayton.

Mrs. Charles Ritenour is preparing to start to Miami, Fla., the 6th of January. Her daughter Mrs. Howard Paulin and family are there having gone down last fall.

The Ladies' Aid of Grape Grove met at the home of Mrs. B. K. Ritenour Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Grover Miller has installed a new radio and is entertaining quite a bit from the surrounding towns. Mr. McKinley Long and wife and baby spent the week end with relatives here.

Grape Grove is still without a grocery as there has been one here a great many years until it burned down a few weeks ago.

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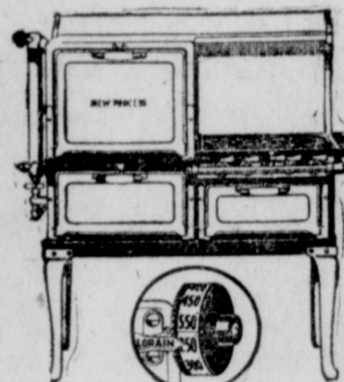
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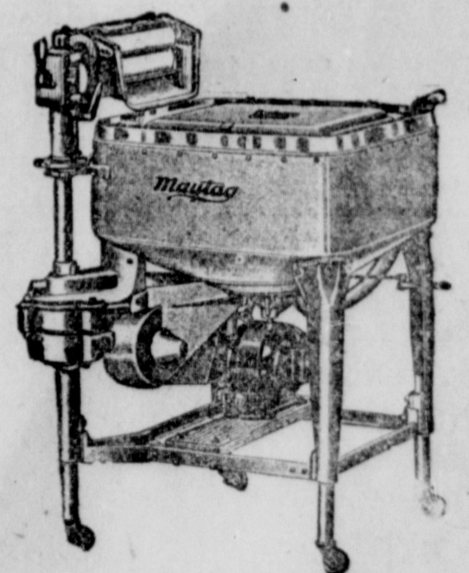
Sizes 9x12

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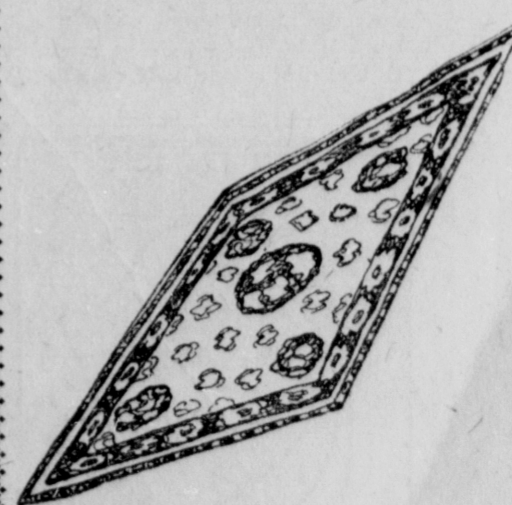
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## EDITORIAL

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## THE POUND SEEKS PARITY

America has unconsciously been playing Santa Claus toward Great Britain. The gift is the assurance of dollar parity for the pound sterling. The role of America has been indirect and complex. But at least one phase of it is fairly clear—that which has to do with the recent price boom in the American stock market.

The striking rise in values of American stock issues has been felt in London. The rise here makes the British issues look cheaper. American money therefore begins to pick them up. This process brings a greater demand for sterling, and the greater demand pushes the pound upward.

The new year will open with sterling at about \$4.70, which is 16 cents under par. An advance of 3 1-2 per cent will send it over the line. There is always a seasonal rise after the first of the year. Extra American buying is fully expected to provide the additional impetus necessary for completion of the last long mile.

Touching dollar parity is, of course, not enough. The pound must be kept there. It will have to be pegged by the processes well known in governmental finance. Dollar parity itself is not enough—for the ultimate objective is gold parity. This will mean gold shipments from America to England—a reversal of the flow since the war. There have been signs recently that the tide is about to change.

But Santa Claus, despite a widely credited fallacy, has to pay for what he gives. Gain for the pound, of course, is precisely the same as loss for the dollar. When sterling reaches 4.86 the dollar will be cheaper—other things remaining equal—in relation to the pound than it is today, about 4 cents cheaper.

The American Santa Claus through the processes of high finance, will thus pay for its gift to Great Britain. But it has always been taken for granted that the real Nick asks value received for the stockings he fills.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

## THE MAIL CARRIER

A well-known cartoonist has commercialized the phrase—"It may be comedy for some folks but its tragedy for me."

One can well imagine that this phrase, coined in a spirit of tomfoolery, strikes a sympathetic note in the mind of the mail carrier, that highly important gentleman who is rarely thought of until he fails to bring a letter from home on rises on timid toes to ask for a wage increase.

It is given the mail carrier to work when other people are playing, which proves the theory that while half the world is being amused the other half must work overtime to do the amusing. Thus the holiday season finds the mail carrier taxed heavily to snip the public with the seasonal greetings.

There is very little satisfaction to be gained from the thankless task unless the mail carrier possesses a philosophy of life that permits him to derive pleasure from the pleasure he is giving others. Perhaps this is the mail carrier's compensation in this life and his goal a future where rubber heels will lose their practicality and broken arches be an unheard-of impossibility.

The mail carrier doesn't expect his door-to-door customers to pin a sprig of laurel on his cap every time he trudges by in bad weather but it is a common weakness of humanity to seek appreciation, and the mail carrier would probably like to know that he is thought of enough to preclude the possibility of being shot as a Confederate spy the next time he goes forth in uniform.

## THE FIRST DAY OF THE YEAR

Although the first of a new year is at hand, nobody will know it until February, Lent and St. Valentine's Day have worn the gloss off.

To a goodly number of business men, stenographers, gentlemen of the writing profession and others, it will still be "1924" on checks, papers and dated correspondence until the nerves are worn to a frazzle and patience has been sorely tried.

Man is not so much a creature of habit as a slave to habit, and one of the hardest habits to give up, next to trying to shake off the appeal of the crossword puzzle, is to get it firmly fixed in the mind that the last numeral of the calendar year has been automatically changed over night.

This business of getting acquainted with the youngster, 1925, will tax the memories of a multitude until it becomes as casual as writing 1924 has been recently.

## JUST FOLKS

Edgar A. Guest

## PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Grant me the strength from day to day  
To bear what burdens come my way,  
Grant me throughout this bright New Year

More to endure and less to fear,  
Help me to live that I may be  
From spite and petty malice free.

Let me not bitterly complain  
When cherished hopes of mine prove vain,  
Or spoil with deeds of hate and rage  
Some fair tomorrow's spotless page.

Let me with patience stand and wait,  
A friend to all who find my gate,  
Keep me from envy and from scorn;  
As shines the sun with every morn.

On great and low, so let me give  
My love to all who round me live,  
Lord, as the New Year dawns today—

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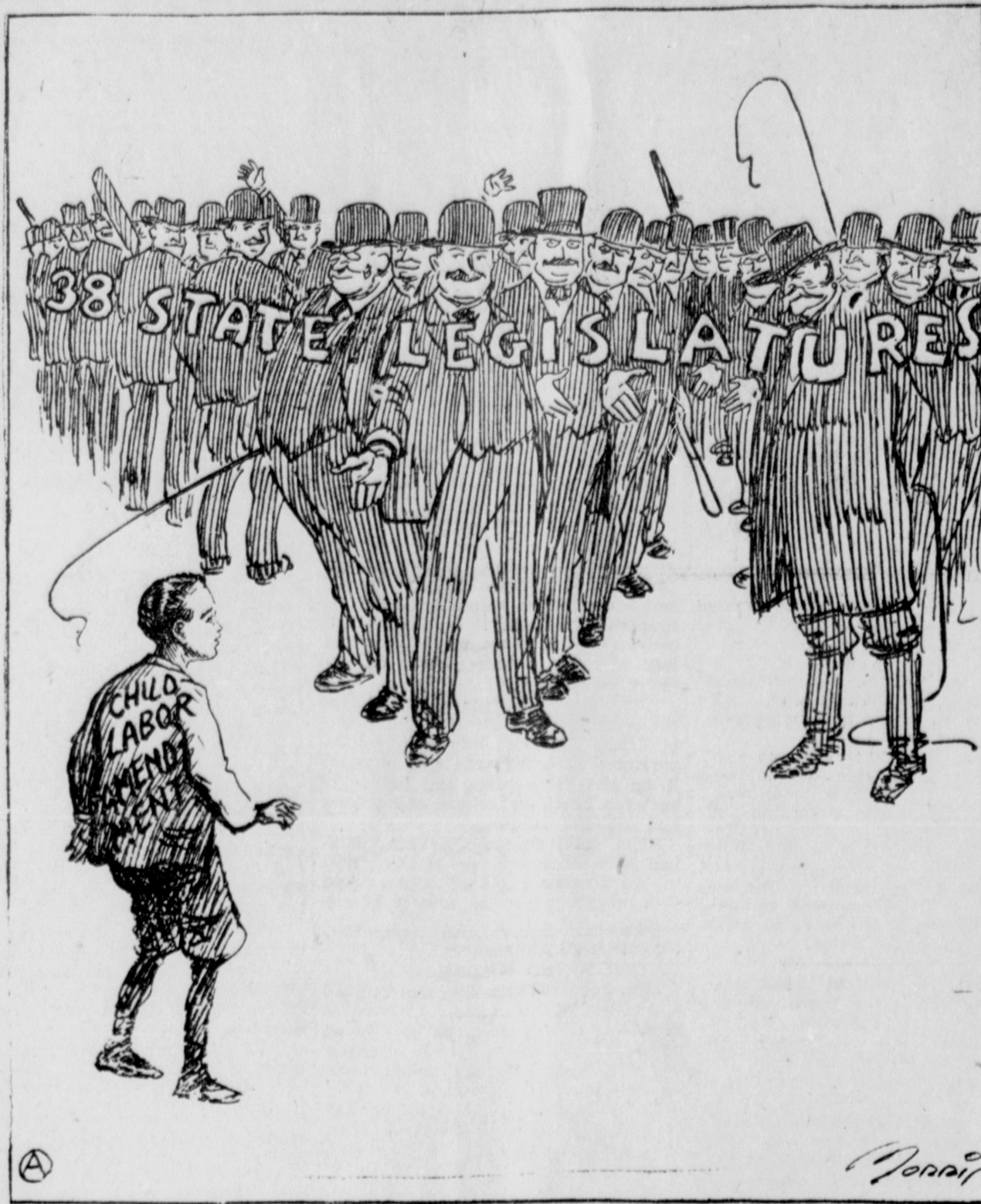
## Returns Unearned Pay.

Toledo, Dec. 31.—Lynn C. Boyatt, Lucas county sanitary engineer, returned \$984 to the county treasury simultaneously with the presentation of his resignation to the county commissioners. The "pay-in" order bears these words on its face: "Returned per diem on time away from duty for year 1924."

## Governor Sets Example.

Columbus, Dec. 31.—Although precedent has made it customary for governors to ask and be allowed \$15,000 a year for the upkeep of the executive mansion, Governor Donahy is asking \$12,000 a year, thus saving the state \$6,000 for two years.

## TO RUN THE GANTLET



38 State Legislatures Will Meet in January To Consider The Ratification Of The Proposed 20th Amendment To The Constitution.

## 1904-Twenty Years Ago-1924

Xenia High School won from Springfield High School at the Y. M. C. A. last night, the score being 35 to 26.

The many Xenia students who have been home for the holiday vacation, are beginning to flock back to their various colleges and universities.

The Gus Sun big American minstrel performance was the attraction at the Xenia Opera House Monday night.

The Wooster cage team arrived this morning and spent the forenoon practicing at the rink in preparation for the game with the Y. M. C. A. tonight.



## THE HOUSEKEEPER'S PAST YEAR

## TOMORROW'S MENU

Cereal Cooked with Dates  
Codfish Balls

Pop-Overs

Lunch on  
Vegetable-Stuffed Peppers  
Cold Slaw

Rolls  
Jam

Dinner  
Cream of Celery Soup  
Baked Filet of Sole

with Tartar Sauce  
Baked Potatoes Stewed Tomatoes  
Lettuce French Dressing

Orange Custard  
Coffee

News Year's Day seems a natural time to stop and reflect on our achievements. Today many housekeepers are asking themselves what they have accomplished in the past 12 months. Some of them will be disappointed at the short list.

Yet I can not see how any one should be disappointed because of not being able to do singular things. If one can just do the ordinary everyday things, we should be satisfied.

In the business world, for instance, I have never been able to see why a man or woman need be eminently "successful" to be satisfied. It seems to me that they ought to be satisfied just to earn their own living—no small achievement in this day of high costs! For there is a certain self-respect which comes from self-support which in itself is enough. Everybody can't hope to be an Edison.

And the housewife should apply this same attitude to her work. She need feel no chagrin if in the past

year she has not "gotten around to" cleaning out the attic, or painting the woodwork, or doing one of those other Herculean tasks which she has always "meant to do." Instead she may congratulate herself if she has simply met the daily grind of life capably; if she has merely gotten through her cooking and dish-washing and cleaning and mending. That assuredly cannot be rated as nothing! It is a year's hard work. It is therefore to my mind, a tremendous achievement. Has she not done it all herself, thereby saving the expense of having to hire help in the kitchen—as so many other women are forced to do? She may be thankful that she has had the good health to do this year's work/herself (for many women have not similar strength). The extra tasks don't really matter. The big thing is that she has gotten through another year creditably.

"I hate to see January come," said a woman friend of mine, "for I had promised myself that I would save \$100 this past year—and I've saved only \$50. It is terrible to let the years roll by and not save."

"Then make it up this coming year," I suggested. "Make yourself save \$150 at least."

## WOMAN SO ILL WASHED DISHES SITTING DOWN

Mrs. Ashcroft's Remarkable Recovery After Taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound



Covington, Ky.—"I was so weak and nervous I could hardly do my housework as I could not stand because of the bearing-down pains in my back and abdomen. I sat down most of the time and did what I could do in that way—as washing dishes, etc. One day a book describing Lydia E. Pinkham's medicine was put in my mail-box. I saw how the Vegetable Compound had helped others so I had to take about a dozen bottles before I gained my strength. Then I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Blood medicine for poor blood. I was cold all the time. I would be so cold I could hardly sit still and in the palms of my hands there would be drops of sweat. I also used the Sanative Wash and I recommend it also. You may publish this letter and I will gladly answer letters from women and advise my neighbors about these medicines."—Mrs. HARRY ASHCROFT, 632 Beech Avenue, Covington, Kentucky.

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## Today's Talks

## WALKING AROUND IN A TOWN

I like towns. Because towns mean people. People made them. The buildings, institutions, roads, parks, are expressions of what groups of people in a town think.

I like to walk around in a town I have never seen before. The other day I walked around in New Orleans. What a town! I didn't get lonely there. But I do get very lonely in many towns. In exactly the way you feel lonely when you are with some people.

There is a fragrance of history, romance, and beauty about New Orleans. It is full of interest, character. I also found much the same happiness in walking around San Antonio, Texas. There is something restful about these towns. They don't seem in a hurry. And so they are inviting. But when I walked about in Dallas, in Chicago, and Detroit, I was just as thrilled. Widely different atmospheres but full of personality.

A business man in New York City

should make at least one trip a year across America or Canada and just walk around in the towns—not forgetting to drop off at the smaller villages now and then.

A tour of towns is a vacation that will sweep out the cobwebs from the mustiest brain. Besides a man may then go back to his business renewed and rebuilt.

I forget who, but it was a very big, successful man who said that an executive should spend very little time in his office. He should go out and meet people, see cities, dream in valleys and behind a few mountains.

You can't put up a very good scrap against life until you have drunk freely of the things that make up life. And I contend that a good river, a fine ocean, a few mountains, a vast plain or so, the songs of strange and unknown birds are able to feed a man's soul and fill his stomach for better material food.

Take a walk around your town often. And as you do it—think!

## BIJOU THEATRE

## TO-NIGHT

## "Argentine Love"

WITH  
BEBE DANIELS  
AND  
RICARDO CORTEZ

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY  
THOMAS MEIGHAN

## The Alaskan

By James Oliver Curwood  
Admission 15c and 25c

We must all compromise in this way with life. We cannot all put through a program we have mapped out. Circumstances hinder us. But we can at least aim high and then meet unavoidable defeat with philosophy. Happy New Year, Reader Friends!

Tomorrow—Contributed Cake Recipes

## COMING EVENTS BRIEFLY TOLD

There is no charge for announcements in this column. If you have a meeting date to be published here, call 70.

Thursday:  
Red Men  
P. of X. D. of A.

Friday:  
Eagles  
D. of V.

Saturday:  
Phi Delta Kappa  
D. of P.

Xenia S. P. O.  
Modern Woodmen.

B. P. O. E.  
Shawnee I. O. O. F.

Tuesday:  
Rotary  
Kiwanis  
K. of P.

Xenia I. O. O. F.  
Obed. L. of A.

Co. L. Band Practice.  
Moose Legion

Wednesday:  
Church Prayer Meets  
Co. L. Drill

J. O. U. A. M.  
K. of P.

L. O. O. M.

## BACORN'S Forkola

Guaranteed or money back. A Jell for neuralgia, sore throat, colds, sore, relief in pneumonia, asthma, catarrh and croup

SAVRE AND HEMPHILL  
SOHN'S DRUG STORE

## Thin, Worn-Out Folks Read What Minister Says About Glands

AND WHAT MEDICAL SCIENCE HAS DONE TO BRING BACK YOUTHFUL ENERGY, AND GOOD SOLID FLESH.

In the newspapers of the entire country, a well known New York minister of the gospel recently repeats and emphasizes this amazing fact: "In the physical body," states the Reverend Doctor, "We know that when the thyroid gland wastes away, physical and mental degeneracy take place. Nobody knows why, but it is so."

When the glands in your body wear out or become exhausted, you lose the vigor of healthy manhood or womanhood, you become sluggish, cranky, nervous, aged. But when you renew these dried-up glands with fresh gland extract your vitality returns, you put on weight, you sleep, eat, and feel 100 per cent better, in most cases (just as you would recharge a dry or storage battery with new energy).

The famous Kath gland specialists have applied all the findings of Medical science to the final discovery of a gland treatment within the reach of everybody's purse. At the age of 60 a man can now feel 60 Years Young—Not 60 Years Old, by taking the Kath gland treatment for two or three weeks.

Thin young men and women, nervous, worn or middle-aged folks—all can build up and be strong in a few weeks' time.

The following authorized Kath agent will sell you the marvelous KATH treatment and will absolutely guarantee it to give you real benefits or not cost you one cent.

SOHN'S DRUG STORE

## FIRST SALE OF THE YEAR

## COATS DRESSES

Right in the middle of the winter season comes this sale of fashionable coats and dresses. Those who have delayed buying until this time will be dollars ahead.

Coats are mostly with fur collars, others are self trimmed. Materials are

POLOS  
VELOURS  
BOLIVIAS

Dresses are here in all the newest styles and effects. A style for every woman. Materials are

SERGES  
FLANNELS  
WOOL CREPES  
POIRET TWILLS

NO COMPARATIVE PRICES  
SEE THE VALUES THEN  
YOU BE THE JUDGE!

COATS ..... \$8.45 to \$17  
DRESSES ..... \$3.95 to \$12

## TO GREENE COUNTY'S FIRST

1925 BABY

A GIFT AWAITS YOU AT OUR STORE

## Xenia Bargain Store

Where High Quality & Low Price Meet  
24 North Detroit St. Next to Adair's

# Roger Babson Summarizes Current Situation And Outlines Business Developments For Coming Year

Babson Park, Mass., Jan. 1.—Roger W. Babson, the statistician, returning from a trip that has taken him into practically every section of importance in the United States and Canada, today summarizes his findings on the general business situation and analyzes the trends that promise to shape our fortunes for the New Year. Bankers and business men, cashiers and clerks, farmers and factory workers, merchants and manufacturers, will all find much to think about in the facts brought out by Mr. Babson's observations and studies.

**1924 A Difficult Year**

"No one should be discouraged if he has failed to have good business in 1924. The great bulk of business men had hard sledding," says Mr. Babson. "Of course there are some exceptions. Certain lines, such as the chain store people, public utility interests, bakeries and dairy companies, seem to have had a prosperous year. In considering these few lines that have done well, it is interesting to note that they all are in the 'repeat order' business and also do pretty much a cash business. Of course, all of us cannot enjoy these two advantages, but certainly there is a suggestion here which many should strive to follow."

"Considering all sections of the country and all lines of industry, 1924 has been a far less prosperous year than 1923. For many manufacturers and merchants the year has been one of intense struggle and disappointment. Gross business has fallen off and it has been almost impossible to reduce expenses, thus in many cases eliminating profits altogether. An analysis of the leading barometric figures comparing 1924 with 1923 pictures the situation accurately. The first figure is for 1923 and the second for 1924\* with the percentage of difference following:

- 1—Number of Failures, 18,943; 20,600 Inc. 6 per cent.
  - 2—Failure Liabilities, \$575,050,000; \$638,306,000 Inc. 11 per cent.
  - 3—Bank Clearings, (Ex. N. Y.) \$199,382,000,000; \$197,507,000,000 Dec. 1 per cent.
  - 4—Employment in Mfg. Est. in N. Y., 110 per cent; 100 per cent Dec. 9 per cent.
  - 5—Wage Index in Mfg. Est. in State, 238 per cent; 221 per cent Dec. 7 per cent.
  - 6—New Building (Permits) \$2,060,909,000; \$2,123,000,000 Inc. 3 per cent.
  - 7—Exports, \$4,167,493,000; \$4,543,000,000 Inc. 9 per cent.
  - 8—Imports, \$3,792,066,000; \$3,527,000,000 Dec. 7 per cent.
  - 9—Total Trade, \$7,959,559,000; \$8,070,000,000 Inc. 1 per cent.
  - 10—Commodity Prices (Brad. Index) \$13,402; \$12,867 Dec. 4 per cent.
  - 11—N. Y. Stock Exchange (Shares Traded) 236,115,000; 266,800,000 Inc. 13 per cent.
  - 12—R. R. Gross per mile, \$26,763; \$24,900 Dec. 7 per cent.
  - 13—Car Loadings, (No. cars per wk.) 956,000; 927,000 Dec. 3 per cent.
  - 14—Unfilled Steel Orders (Monthly Av. Tonnage), 6,009,000; 3,726,000 Dec. 38 per cent.
  - 15—Pig Iron Production (Tons) 40,069,000; 30,445,000 Dec. 24 per cent.
- \*Some 1924 figures estimated where totals for last few weeks are not yet available.

**The Commodity Situation**

Thruout 1924 there has been a sagging in commodity prices varying with different lines of business. Steel, for instance, has gone off to \$42.50 in January, 1924 to \$35.50 in December 1924. Other commodities have had declines somewhat as follows:

- Pig Iron, Jan., \$26.05 per ton; Dec., \$23.05 per ton.
- Nails, Jan., \$3.00 per cwt., Dec. \$2.85 per cwt.
- Petroleum, Jan., \$1.40 per bbl., Dec. 90c per bbl.
- Boxboard Chips, Jan., 80c per cwt.; Dec., 50c per cwt.
- Cotton, Jan., 35.75c per lb.; 23.30c per lb.
- Cotton Yarns, Jan., 55c per lb.; Dec., 41 1-2c per lb.
- Gingham, Jan., 19c per yd.; Dec., 10 1-2c per yd.

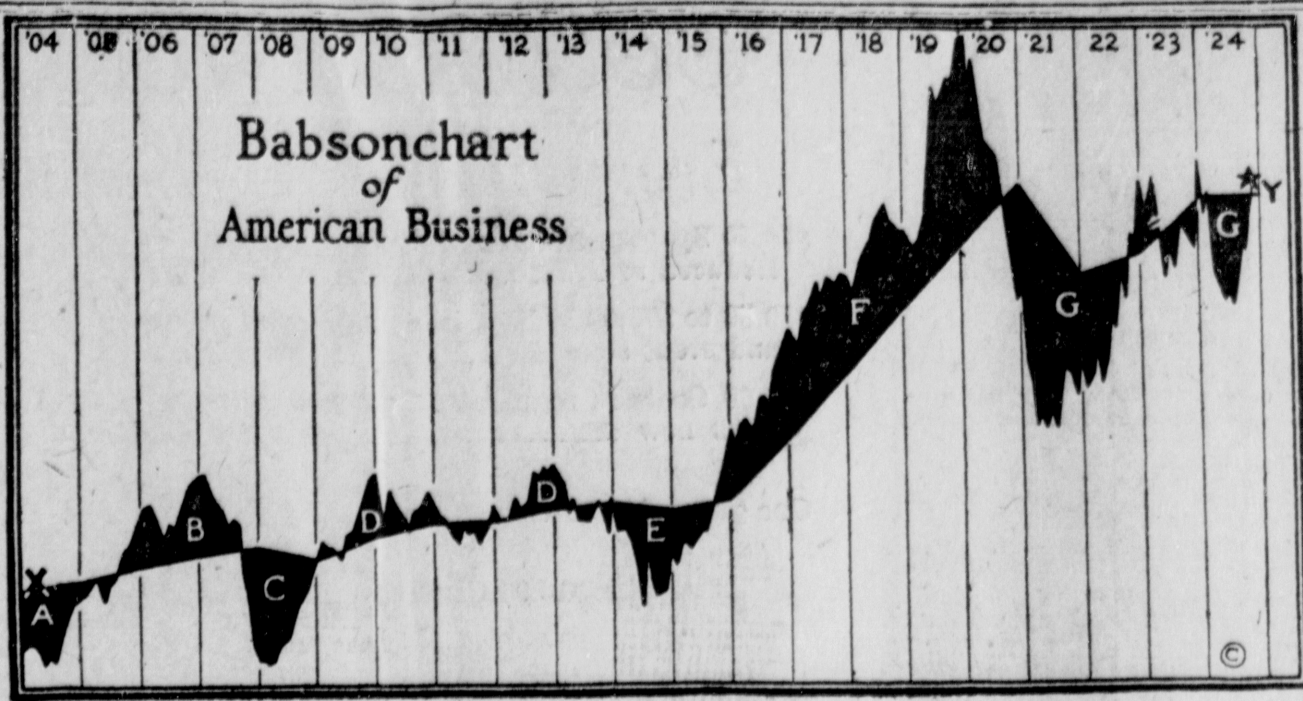
"Of course, there are instances where there have been increases, as in the case of grains, but the general tendency of commodity prices has been downward thruout the year. As was indicated by fundamental conditions last January. Taking the list as a whole, we see a decrease of some 5 per cent, which is considerable in view of the tremendous declines of 1921 and 1922."

**Working Conditions Have Been Fair**

"The employment situation has been working out the same way. There have been no bread lines during 1924, and wages have held up pretty well, but in many sections of the country there has been considerable unemployment. This especially has been true in the union coal mining districts in the Central West, where more idleness has prevailed than for years. The textile industry, the shoe industry and other highly organized lines have suffered during 1924 from much idleness. When the channels of trade from Europe were closed, it was impossible for organized labor in this country to demand and exact its 'pound of flesh.' With the world's market once more normal so that goods can flow back and forth as needed and in the best interests of all, no one group in any one country can take an arbitrary position at the expense of others. Hence, altho the year has been fairly satisfactory for unorganized groups, there has been much unemployment in organized labor. A comparison of wage cuts and increases gives us the following:

	Wage Cuts	Wage Increases
1923	21	1470
1924	228	436

"Commodity prices, wages and cost of living move more or less in the same direction. These are things have always gone together in the past and they will always go together in the future. Artificial barriers and stimulants may temporarily affect prices, wages and the cost of living, as a dam may temporarily affect the flow of a stream of water. No dam ever destroys the water. Sooner or later it flows over the dam. Labor unions, tariffs, immigration restrictions and other legislation may temporarily stimulate the situation, but such stimulation is not permanent."



A PICTURE OF AMERICAN BUSINESS

This is the chart, originated by Mr. Babson and compiled by his associates, from which they study and interpret business conditions. It is a composite picture of the leading barometers of business, which include such items as: New Building, Crops, Check Transactions, Immigration, Total Foreign Trade, Money Rates (adjusted scales), Failures, Commodity Prices, Railroad Earnings, Stock Prices. An index of Canadian business conditions is also included.

The central line of the chart (X-Y Line) divides the areas equally above and below and indicates the net growth of American business. It records the development of the

country's resources regardless of the condition of business at the moment. The line running alternately above and below it indicates the present state of trade and shows clearly our progress through ensuing periods of Prosperity, Decline, Depression, and Improvement.

This Babsonchart is not only valuable as a reliable and unbiased picture of the business conditions, but it also reflects the governing action of the principle of Action and Reaction. The effect of this basic law on business is widely accepted but is also often misunderstood. The relation between these periods of abnormal and subnormal business is found only by multiplying the time by the intensity of each movement. In other

words, an intense period of prosperity short in duration may be offset by a mild depression of long duration. On the chart these conclusions become simply a matter of comparing areas. On the Babsonchart above, the area of prosperity "B" is exactly equalled by the area of depression "C." The abnormal business which made up the areas above the "X-Y Line" labelled "D" is exactly offset by the ensuing depression "E." The great period of war and post war inflation "F" is being offset by the readjustment area "G." This readjustment is well along in its development, as Mr. Babson points out in the accompanying article.

The star indicates the present position of business.

Reaction always follows. Water must seek its own level and ultimately all groups and nations suffer and prosper together. This is the great lesson of 1924.

## The Investment Situation

"As a result of the decreased business in 1924 money has been idle and plentiful. When copper is 14c a pound it requires only half as much capital to carry it as when it is at 28c a pound and the same is true of commodities in general. When business is dull, money is always plentiful, and 1924 was no exception to the rule. The following figures for the average call rates on the New York Stock Exchange for the last ten years shows very clearly what has taken place in this regard:

1914, 3 3-5; 1915, 2; 1916, 2 1-2; 1918, 3 3-8; 1919, 6 3-8; 1920, 7 7-8; 1921, 6; 1922, 4 1-4; 1923, 4 7-8; 1924, 3 1-8.

"These low money rates have caused banks to buy bonds with their surplus funds, and we have witnessed a very good bond year. Yields of active bonds closed December 31, 1923 with an average of 5.39 per cent and are closing this year about 0.4 points lower. Of course, the nearer we get to the top the less opportunity there is for further rises, but I should not be surprised in some instances to see even higher prices in 1925 than in 1924."

"The stock market continued to work in a sideways manner until the nominations took place in June. When it was seen that both of the major political parties selected good men, the banking interests took courage and began to lay constructive programs for financing large developments. The actual business, however, was held back until election day. When it was found that President Coolidge was re-elected by such a tremendous popular vote, the throttle was opened wide and the stock market had a tremendous volume of business. Of course, this business was largely made up of orders which had been held back, like a stream of water, pending the counting of ballots. When the dam was removed, the flood of orders came forth and we witnessed some of the heaviest days in the history of the New York Stock Exchange."

"Many wonder whether the bull mar-

ket has culminated or whether 1925 will see even higher prices. Based on experiences of previous bull markets, I believe that 1925 will see higher prices in the case of many securities than was witnessed in the best days of 1924.

**1925 Like 1900?**

"I remember very well the election of 1900, when a bull market suddenly developed under circumstances very much like those of this November. It went on for some days and then reacted four or five points, continuing irregularly into December. Then the advance again started, and with the opening of the Exchange on January 2, all previous records were broken. In January, however, the bull market seemed to culminate. Wall street took profits very heavily, with the result that some stocks reacted from 10 to 20 points. During February, when the United States Steel combination was announced, the market moved only sideways, but very soon rumors began to come out that other consolidations were under way, and prices rose from 20 to 30 points during March. In April there were similar advances running as far as 25 points, and the month's trading was very heavy. What was the wildest bull market in the history of Wall Street came on April 30, when 3,281,226 shares changed hands. Very shortly after this the Northern Pacific corner developed and the crash came May 9th. All stocks were liquidated, tremendous decreases took place such as 60 points in Delaware and Hudson, 37 in Union Pacific and 23 in U. S. Steel, and so on down the list."

"Of course, there is no reason why we should compare the present bull market with any particular one. There were also bull markets in 1904 and 1905, and again in 1916, but there are many points regarding the present situation which resemble 1900 more than any stock market movement. We have cheap money, favorable political situation and possibilities of consolidation with the consent and approval of all interests. Certainly at no time in history has the stage been better set for a continuation of the upward movement which has been in process since June, 1924, and which really began in earnest with the elections."

## Other Possibilities

"When any reader, however, bases

General Outlook for 1925

"As we look forward to the new year, we are confronted by two facts, one of which makes us timid and the

other makes us courageous. The fact which makes me a little timid is the uncertainty as to European imports. I have already referred to this European situation and need not expand upon it now. The fact nevertheless remains that Europe must get onto its feet, and in order to get it onto its feet, there is no reason why we should not expect this. The world is more or less a unit, and more so today than ever. Hence, we are influenced by trade conditions the world over, sometimes to our disadvantage. This does not trouble me, as in the end we will be all benefited by it, but during 1925 and perhaps longer, certain industries and certain sections of the country will suffer from this world readjustment of markets. However, these sections will be those that have benefited most during the past ten years, so that the net result will be fair all around. The particular industries that suffer will be those depending upon hand labor rather than those that prosper through great mass production. Moreover, these will be in certain industrial sections of the East rather than the great virile, agricultural sections of the Central West and South."

"Offsetting this one disadvantage, we have better conditions of the central West, the South, and other agricultural sections. The Northwest, which has been suffering for some years, should have a distinctly better year in 1925 than it had in 1924. This will also be true of many other farming sections of the United States. The farmer is once more coming into his own and, given fair growing weather, 1925 should be a better year for him than 1924. As the farmer is the foundation of prosperity and the basis of progress, this should foretell prosperity for the nation as a whole."

"The South especially is looking forward to a splendid year in 1925. The 1924 cotton crop will probably reach 13,000,000 bales, and perhaps 13,300,000. Up to the time of writing this report, the dry and warm weather in the South has been very propitious for the next cotton crop, and everything now is favorable. Of course the boll weevil is still doing business, but we are learning more and more to control it, both directly through spraying and fertilization and indirectly through diversified crops. With the Daves Plan under way, the foreign consumption of cotton should increase, and with a readjustment of wage scales among the textile mills of this country, domestic consumption should increase. Hence we face a year of good prices, stimulated by an active growing demand."

"The fact is that I am very hopeful has turned clockwise. I think man in the for the entire South. Surely, the South has turned the corner and what has happened to the West during the past forty years is likely to happen in the South during the next forty. I also am very hopeful for the Pacific Coast, believing that my grandchildren will see the largest city in America on the Pacific Coast and the world's trade carried on the Pacific Ocean rather than on the Atlantic. It will take time to arouse the hundreds of millions of people in China, India, and the Far East, but sooner or later they will come into the market as the world's greatest consumers of goods."

## A Policy for 1925

"Two years ago at our summer conference at Babson Park, the late Dr. Steinmetz was answering questions in the auditorium. Someone asked whether he thought our present civilization was due to follow that of Greece and Rome into decay and oblivion. 'Whether or not our present civilization is going to pieces,' answered the Doctor, 'depends very largely upon your digestion.' It is much the same with crop of miscellaneous business prophets who take the stump at this particular season of the year. Their findings depend largely upon the condition of their business livers and their conclusions are drawn to a great extent from the figures on their own balance sheets."

"Many financial writers are pooh-poohing foreign competition and seeing only the improved conditions in this country and other nations of the world. They are preaching a great bull year for 1925. Then we have the other group which is pessimistic, refusing to recognize the better conditions and pointing only to the inequalities existing throughout our own nation and throughout the world as a whole. This group is pessimistic as to 1925. Personally, I believe that

1925 is a year when we should all let Nature take its course and neither artificially stimulate the situation nor unnecessarily hamper developments. If we attempt artificially to stimulate business now and bring about a period of inflation, we certainly will have a severe reaction in 1925, because the great readjustment period following the World War has not yet been completed. Certain industries and sections have been thoroughly readjusted, but other industries and sections have not.

"I should feel very badly to see any sudden spurt in general business and commodity prices similar to what has been witnessed on the Stock Exchange. On the other hand, if we will let Nature take its course and let the readjustment which is now about 75

per cent completed, run its course, then we can gradually enter into a period of prosperity which should last us for some time. If so, 1925 will become a year of stabilization, a year when wages could be stabilized, investments stabilized, prices stabilized and, most of all, the hearts of men stabilized. Therefore, can't we make 'Stabilization' the watchword for 1925? 'Let us forget the bull markets and the bear markets,' concluded Mr. Babson. 'Let us cease to try to artificially stimulate or artificially depress. Let us not try to prove this or that, but let us be content with the middle of the road. Then we shall have completed in a natural way the great readjustment period and be preparing ground for another period of real prosperity.'

# Market News

## LIVE STOCK

### DAYTON LIVESTOCK

Shaeffer Commission Company

### HOGS

Receipts, 8 cars; market, steady.  
Heavies, 100 lbs. ———— 11.10  
Mediums, 155 lbs. up ———— 10.60  
Heavy Yorkers ———— 10.20  
Light Yorkers ———— 9.85  
Sows ———— 7.00@9.00  
Pigs, 130 lbs. down ———— 7.00@8.50  
Stags ———— 3.00@6.00

### CATTLE

Receipts, 10 cars; market, steady.  
Best butcher steers ———— 7.00@8.00  
Medium butcher steers ———— 6.00@7.00  
Bulls ———— 5.00@5.50  
Veal calves ———— 7.00@12.00  
Best butcher heifers ———— 6.00@7.00  
Med. heifers ———— 4.00@5.00  
Best fat heifers ———— 4.00@5.00  
Best fat cows ———— 4.00@5.00  
Medium cows ———— 2.50@3.50  
Bologna cows ———— 1.50@2.50

### SHEEP

Sheep ———— 2.00@8.00  
Spring lambs ———— \$10.00@11.00

### XENIA

(Faulkner and St. John)

Bulls, \$2@4.  
Sheep, \$2@3.  
Heavies, \$10.00.  
Mediums, \$10.00.  
Light Yorkers, \$9.00.  
Pigs, \$8.00.  
Stags, \$4.  
Sows, \$7.  
Stock heifers, \$3@4.  
Stock cows, \$2@3.  
Butcher steers, \$6@8.  
Stock steers, \$3@5.  
Butcher cows, \$3@4.  
Butcher heifer \$5@6.  
Light Yorkers, \$8@8.25.

### GRAIN

#### DAYTON

Flour and Grain

(By the Durst Milling Co.)

Timothy Hay, No. 1, \$24 per ton.  
Bulk bran, \$38 per ton.  
Bulk Middlings, \$43 per ton.  
Straw, \$14 per ton.  
Pure Chop Feed, \$60 per ton.  
Cottonseed Meal, \$56 per ton.  
Oil Meal, \$52 per ton.  
Prices being paid for grain at mill:  
Wheat, No. 1, \$1.75.  
Rye, No. 2, \$1.30 per bushel.  
Corn, \$1.85, per 100 lbs.  
New Oats, 64c per bushel.

### XENIA

(Corrected Daily)

By The DeWine Milling Co.

No. 1 Timothy Hay, \$15.  
No. 1 Lite Mixed Hay, baled \$13.  
New Yellow Ear Corn, \$1.15.  
No. 2 Red Winter, \$1.70.  
No. 2 Red Oats, 50c.  
Middlings, \$2.25.  
Rye, 90c.  
Bran, \$2.10.

## PRODUCE

### CLEVELAND PRODUCE MARKET

Butter, extra, 45 1-2@47 1-2c.  
Prints, 46 1-2@48 1-2c.  
Firsts, 44 1-2@46 1-2c.  
Packing, 27@28c.  
EGGS, fresh, 25c.  
Ohio Firsts, 57c.  
Western Firsts, 55c.  
Oleo, nut 23c.  
High grade animal oils 27@29c.  
Lower grades, 20@21c.  
CHEESE, York State, 24@25c.  
POULTRY, FOWLS, 30@33c.  
Roosters, 15@16c.  
Springers, 30@33c.  
Ducks, 30@35c.  
Turkeys, 58@60c.  
Geese, 30c.  
Apples, \$1.40@1.75.  
Strawberries, 65c up qt.  
Beans, dried navy, 10c.  
Cabbage, \$15@20 per ton.  
Potatoes, \$1.80@2 sack.  
Sweet Potatoes, \$4.25@4.50 per bbl.  
Tomatoes, \$2.50@3.00 bushel.  
Onions, \$2@2.50 per cwt.  
Cucumbers, \$3.25@3.50 basket.

### DAYTON PRODUCE

Butter and Eggs  
(Furnished by the H. G. Culp Co.)

### Wholesale Price

Fresh eggs—60c dozen.  
Cold storage eggs, 42c dozen.  
Butter, Eggs and Poultry  
Retail Price  
Fresh eggs—65c per dozen.  
Cold Storage—42c per doz.  
Sticks—40c per pound.  
Spring Roasts—40c per pound.  
Spring Broilers—40c per pound.  
Ducks, 40c per lb.  
Turkeys, 75c.  
Prices Paid for Delivery at Plant  
Heavy Hens—15@20c.  
Fresh Eggs—50c dozen.  
Roosters—10c per pound.  
Ducks on foot, 18c per lb.  
Butter, 45c.

### XENIA

Eggs—18@20c.  
All chickens, 15c.  
Eggs, 50c.  
Leghorns, 10c.

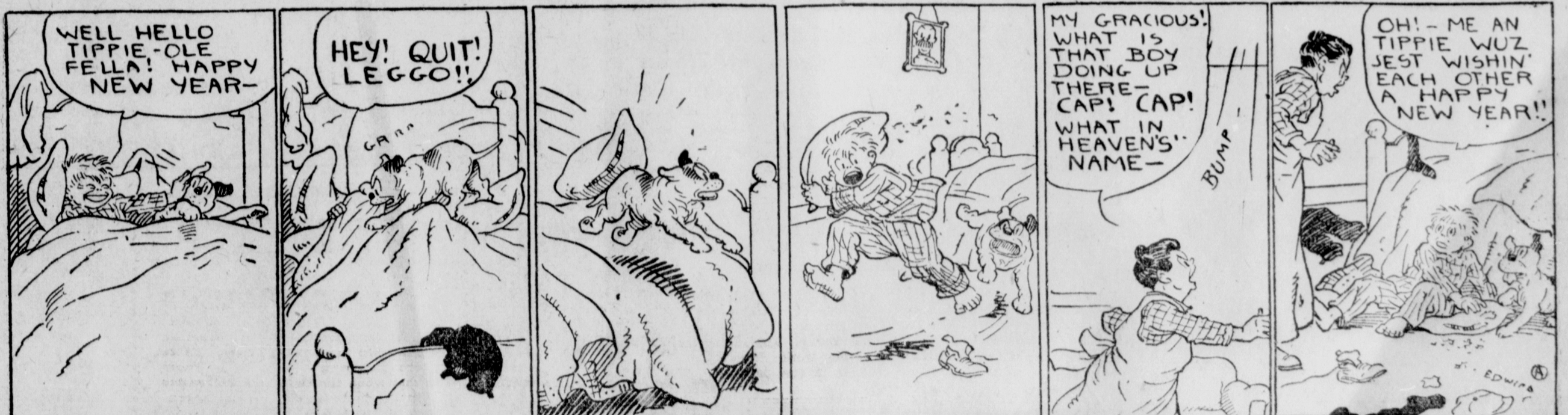
## ZIMMERMAN

The Christmas Cantata presented by the Zimmerman and Alpha schools at the K. of P. Hall at Alpha was well rendered under the direction of W. R. Sayres, Music Director, assisted by the teachers, Miss Thelma Bartha, Gladys Greer, Eleanor Rakestraw and Cathryn Jacobs. Those singing solo parts: Irene Bailey as Mother Goose, Ruth Stewart, Kenneth Stewart as Bad Boy Mischief, Lillian Duffy as the Chief Candy Maker, Mr. Shiveldecker, as the Poor Old Man, deserve special mention as do also the following who had speaking parts: Anna Lickliter, Thelma Gentner and Donald Munger.

## TELEPHONE YOUR WANT ADS.

By EDWINA

## "CAP" STUBBS—They're Starting Th' New Year Right! !



## GAS BUGGIES—Aren't Women Unreasonable.



By BECK

# LEAP YEAR, FULL OF EVENTS OF IMPORTANCE ENDS

Long Year Fraught With Much of Interest from Election Of a President Down To Happenings Purely Local

Leap Year, which came to an end Wednesday, was filled with important events and achievements both national and local, featured by the president conventions and the election nationally and a number of important events locally.

A brief resume follows:

## JANUARY

1.—Judge H. L. Smith named Greene County Chairman of the Harding Memorial Association.  
2.—The Horace Mann House, Antioch College, Yellow Springs, home of Antioch's first president, Horace Mann, destroyed by fire.  
3.—The Xenia Post Office automatically became a first class office January 1.

7.—The first case ever held in Greene County in which a woman attorney appeared as counsel for either side, was heard.

8.—Harry S. LeSourd, for four years a member of the Xenia City Board of Education, elected president of the board.

12.—A dam built by the Kiwanis Club to provide a pond for ice skating, acted as a conservancy project which probably saved North End residents from suffering a repetition of the 1920 spring flood.

14.—The Progressive Insurgents today offered a flat proposal for government ownership of railroads.

15.—The death list in the Earthquake at Tokio, Yokohama and other Japanese cities reaches fifty.

16.—O. E. Bradfute, Xenia, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, officially opened the national conference at Baltimore.

17.—Business and financial interests at a meeting in the commission chamber of City Hall, acted to solve Xenia's housing problem in an effort to prevent the threatened removal of the American Cigar Company.

18.—Elaborate repairs on the First Presbyterian Church at Market and King Streets completed this week.

21.—A financial drive for \$5,500 to carry on the work of the Social Service League for the coming year, was launched.

24.—Options totalling \$199,550 secured by the Southwestern Portland Cement Company of Los Angeles, Cal., since the discovery of valuable cement rock in the vicinity of Reed's Hill, near Osborn.

25.—Fire destroys Rural School No. 9, Valley Road, Beavercreek Township, throwing twenty-five children out of classes.

29.—Members of Triumph Temple, Pythian Sisters, entertain delegates to the twenty-second annual district convention at the K. of P. Hall.

31.—Nine students hurt, two seriously, when fire destroyed B. F. Lee Hall, boys' dormitory, at Wilberforce University.

## FEBRUARY

4.—Body of Woodrow Wilson lies in state.

5.—The first action filed in Greene County under the "padlock law," was filed in Common Pleas Court.

Greene County Commissioners voted unanimously against a re-appraisal of property in Greene County.

16.—Judge Florence Allen, of the Ohio Supreme Court, delivered address here.

26.—Attorney General Harry M. Daugherty expects to resign from the

cabinet.

## MARCH

24.—Addition of another half story on the east half of Jobe Bros. department store will be carried out.

## APRIL

2.—A bitter denunciation of war was delivered by Harold R. "Private" Peat before members of the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs.

4.—Bids were opened and contracts let at Spring Valley for the new Spring Valley Township Centralized school.

8.—The Frances Inn is sold to E. R. Hussey, London.

22.—Mrs. Elizabeth Moorehead, widow of Dr. W. G. Moorehead, former president of the Xenia Theological Seminary, died.

## MAY

19.—The soldiers' bonus bill written into law over President Coolidge's veto.

27.—A flag, fashioned by Central High School boys and girls of 1865, is given to the high school.

30.—Nathan E. Leopold, Jr., confessed he owned the pair of glasses found near the body of Robert Franks, 13-year-old school boy kidnapped and murdered.

## JUNE

12.—President Coolidge was nominated to succeed himself.

25.—Democratic convention split into discordant factions over platform issues and candidates at New York.

28.—The Spring Valley Grange, a new organization for Greene County, was born following a meeting at the Town Hall, Spring Valley.

## JULY

9.—John W. Davis, of West Virginia nominated by the Democratic party.

14.—Body of William Herman Meyer of Dayton, who was drowned near "Upper Highbanks" on the Hawkins farm, west of Xenia, was recovered.

15.—With the arrest of four youths, authorities believe they have cleared up a series of burglaries and robberies that mystified police during the past winter.

17.—Xenia City "went over the top" within an hour's solicitation for money for the tornado relief fund.

26.—Through efforts of the D. A. R. the last resting place of William Maxwell, the first newspaper publisher in the north-west territory, located in Greene County.

29.—"I wouldn't loan Germany a cent if I got a million dollars in return," said Henry Ford, Detroit automobile manufacturer on a visit here.

## AUGUST

7.—Greene County Fair, over three quarters of a century old, celebrated its eighty-fifth anniversary.

13.—Returns from state-wide primary show that former governor Harry L. Davis won Republican nomination for Governor and Governor Donahey on the Democratic ticket.

16.—Mrs. Whitelaw Reid made a Lady of Grace of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem by King George of England.

Transfer of 4,000 acres of land in Bath Township by the Dayton Air Service Committee Inc., to the United States government.

## SEPTEMBER

4.—Ceremonies in connection with the laying of the cornerstone of the new Spring Valley Township Central-

ized high school, east of Spring Valley were held.

5.—America's earth gridding aviators were to come home after an absence of nearly six months.

8.—China appeared to be verging on the bloodiest civil war in history.

10.—Nathan F. Leopold, Jr., and Richard A. Loeb, who kidnaped and murdered little Bobby Franks were sentenced to imprisonment for life.

18.—Harry Harverstick, 37, West Main Street, painter for the Dayton Power and Light Company, was killed while climbing a "tower" of the company east of Woodland Cemetery.

## OCTOBER

7.—The Shenandoah cast off from its mooring and nosed across the United States.

9.—Former Governor Harry L. Davis, Republican nominee for governor, played the Donahey regime in an address at the Opera House.

13.—A chase by a sheriff's posse followed a threatening visit of masked men to the home of William Martin, colored on the Stevenson Road. Charles E. Greenleaf, well known former Xenia business man, died at his home following a long illness.

## NOVEMBER

4.—Phillip L. Jordan, 72, was instantly killed when he was struck in the Pennsylvania Railroad yards.

5.—Calvin Coolidge and General Charles G. Dawes swept into the presidency and vice-presidency, respectively on the crest of a Republican victory.

14.—The names of Harry E. Rice, Clarence S. Frazer and George H. Eckerle, certified by the Civil Service

Commission as eligible to be the new postmaster.

29.—Miss Effie Grace Conley, Cedarville, school teacher, was killed when her auto was struck by a Pennsylvania train at Cedarville.

21.—Mrs. Florence Kling Harding, widow of former president Harding, died.

26.—Charles S. Mackrodt, 52, was shot and killed by C. W. Latimer.

29.—James Parker Chew, 92, founder and editor of the Xenia Daily Gazette, died at his home on East Market Street.

## DECEMBER

3.—P. H. Flynn, announced the gift of a ten acre tract in the Dodd's Addition to the Xenia Recreation Association.

11.—O. E. Bradfute, Xenia, re-elected president of the American Farm Bureau for the third consecutive year.

13.—Samuel Gompers, veteran labor head, died.

20.—Prosecuting Attorney J. Kenneth Williamson tendered his resignation.

D. E. Crow, superintendent of the Greene County Infirmary, was dismissed from office by County Commissioners.

22.—Surprised in the act of blowing the safe of the Western Ohio Creamery, South Columbus Street, three yeggs were arrested by police.

24.—Robert S. Kenney, 60, farmer, New Burlington Pike, was killed in an auto accident near Richmond, Ind.

29.—The trial of C. W. "Tacks" Latimer, for first degree murder, got under way.

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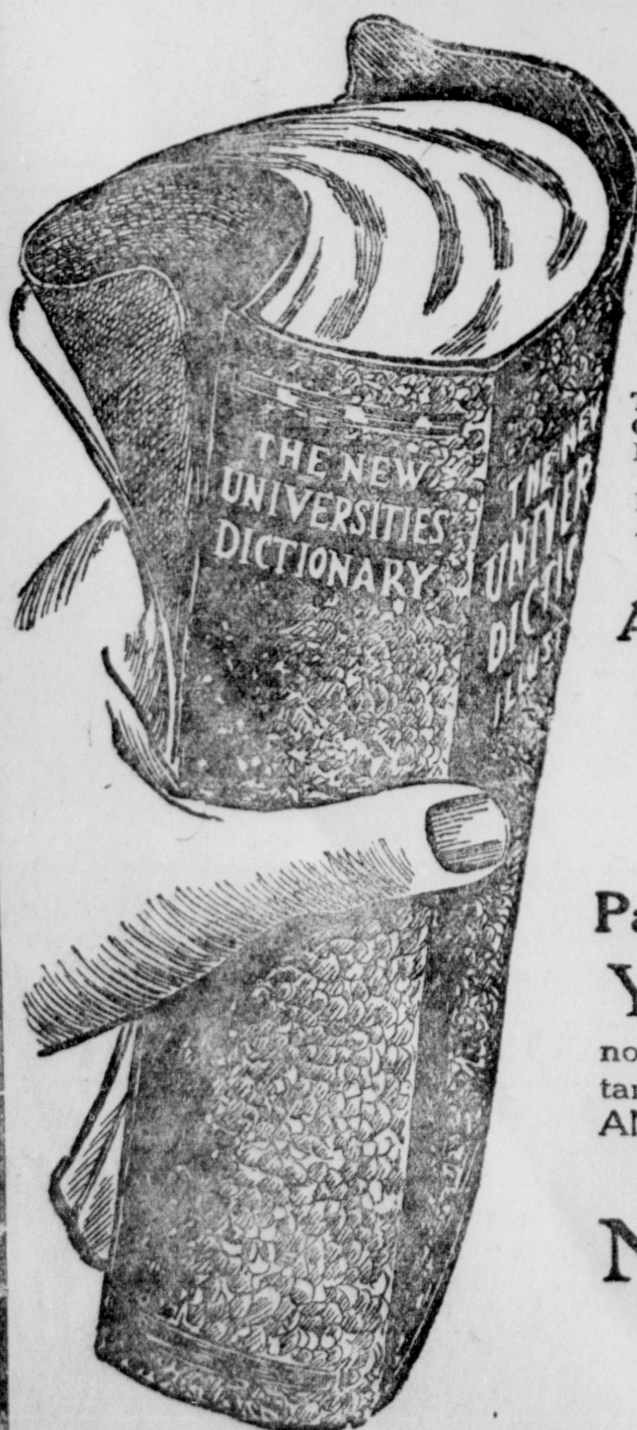
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# SENTENCED TO JAIL FOR DRIVING AUTO WHILE INTOXICATED

Paul McKeever, employe of the Davis Oil Company, arraigned in Probate Court Wednesday afternoon on a charge of driving a car while intoxicated, was fined \$50 and costs and given a three months sentence in the Greene County Jail by Judge J. Carl Marshall when he pleaded guilty.

He was arrested Tuesday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff John Baughn following a collision of the oil truck which he was driving with a machine owned and driven by Earl Garlough, Beaver Creek Township on the Dayton Pike.

McKeever was driving towards Xenia with Garlough following in a new Buick touring car. Passing the Greene County Children's Home, McKeever was said to have abruptly swerved into the middle of the road causing Garlough to smash into his truck.

Garlough's machine was knocked into an adjoining ditch and his face and hands cut. His machine was badly damaged while the truck was but slightly damaged.

Another man was reported to have been riding with McKeever but he escaped after the collision.

A broken bottle of liquor was found in McKeever's pocket when he was arrested.

# BRINGING UP FATHER



# LATIMER IS FOUND GUILTY



CHARLES E. MACKRODT

C. W. "Tacks" Latimer shot and instantly killed Charles E. Mackrodt, at Main and Detroit Streets, following an argument on the morning of November 26. Just one month later, on December 26, a jury was selected to try Latimer on an indictment for first degree murder returned against him by a special session of the grand jury. The trial began Monday morning and Wednesday evening this jury found Latimer guilty of second degree murder, which carries a sentence of life imprisonment.



C. W. LATIMER

**Roughly Treated by Bandits.**  
Cincinnati, Dec. 31.—Two well dressed robbers held up Jack Smead at an automobile company plant, of which he is service manager. They used wire and heavy skid chains to bind Smead; they gagged him to the point of suffocation and they hurled him face downward in the grime of the shop floor. Smead was held a prisoner for nearly four hours. The robbers cracked a safety cabinet and escaped with currency and checks.

**Sentenced to Church.**  
Cleveland, Dec. 31.—Mrs. Anna Belson, 18, and Mrs. Mary Landman, 32, were given suspended fines of \$50 and 60-day workhouse sentences on condition they attend church services every Sunday for a year. They were charged with stealing \$35 worth of merchandise from two department stores. Three men charged with intoxication also elected to take the "church cure" rather than pay the usual penalties.



WHO'S WHO AND WHAT'S HAPPENED

PATRICIA CLEVE is the young wife of ANDREW CLEVE, a rising young lawyer who makes the entertainment of his clients so important a part of his life that she has no time for anything else. She rebels when

GREGORY HEWITT, an important financier, and his wife spend the night at the Cleves', and Mrs. Hewitt, misunderstanding Patricia's courtesy to Gregory, accuses her of flirting, and insists on leaving the house. Andrew is furious, and Patricia, telling him that he has made her nothing but a tamer of other women's husbands for his benefit, decides to leave him for a time, going to visit her sister, and hoping that he will come to his senses and allow her to have a home and children, instead of being nothing but an official hostess. She takes the Twentieth Century for Chicago and on the train encounters Hewitt. Patricia arrives at the home of her sister.

CAROL WILLOUGHBY, and Carol's husband, Keith, rather slights Patricia until she incautiously repeats some of Hewitt's plans for building a railroad in which Keith is interested. He is also interested in ISOBEL DRAKE, the country club widow. Patricia calls at Gregory's office, to confess her blunder. She accepts an invitation to dine with him.

TODAY'S INSTALMENT  
XXIII—DANCING IN THE MOON-LIGHT

It was a Hawaiian orchestra that was playing, and it came, not over the radio, but from a house further down the lake shore, plaintively, sweetly, yet with an insistent rhythm. It was not jazz that was being played, but the music from the Islands, music far more seductive than anything else that Patricia had ever heard.

There was a wide, clear space on the veranda, and the floor was perfect. Gregory Hewitt held her lightly but firmly; he danced as well as he did everything else. After the first moment of adaptation Patricia realized that she could yield herself completely to his guidance. His sense of rhythm was instinctive.

It was a dance that seemed part of the night, of the moonlight and the music, of the night winds that came whispering across the water and murmured through the trees. And as Hewitt held her closer, dancing now against the beat of the music, now with it, she forgot everything but the joy of dancing. As the music ceased she turned toward her table; he held her hand an instant longer, then released it, and took his place opposite her, with the soft golden light of the shaded candles playing over his handsome face.

"I've never known anyone else who danced as you do," he said quietly, after a moment. "That was an experience that I shall never forget. It will be a treasured memory." Patricia remained silent, fearful of being carried away by her own enthusiasm. She had always turned such remarks aside with a little tactful comment, that flattered the men who made them and did not incriminate her. But she was too strongly moved now to do that; if she spoke at all, she must reveal too much of what lay in her heart, created by those few moments of pure delight.

"Little Pat, tell me that you enjoyed it, too," he begged of her. She nodded, her eyes on her own slim hands, that were tightly entwined in her lap.



They drove home in silence.

made her suddenly uneasy; she was afraid, not of him, but of the situation, which she could not control. "I wonder," she went on, refusing to meet his eager gaze again, "I wonder if it isn't getting rather late? I have so far to go, you know."

"Of course, we'll leave at once." The waiter was summoned, and Hewitt's name scrawled across the check without delay. Patricia's thoughts were so completely held in thrall by what had taken place between her and Hewitt that she walked down the veranda and through the restaurant without noticing anyone. And all during the drive home but a few words were over Hewitt's words, summoning up his expression, wondering, speculating. If he were not married, and if she weren't—she told herself that such thoughts were treachery to Andrew.

And yet—Andrew seemed to care so little about being married to her; evidently she meant not much more to him than his excellent secretary did! She was very useful to him in helping him toward success, and that was all. He didn't care for the home that she had tried to make, didn't want children. Perhaps, after all, they were mistaken, perhaps Hewitt married not Andrew as he really was, but Andrew as she imagined him to be. Then it wasn't really a marriage. Bewildered, she stared at the dark blur of the landscape, through which Hewitt was driving with such headlong haste.

Tomorrow—Paying the Piper.

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